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RECHARGING COIL

**RESPONSE**

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In response to an Office Action, mailed **October 8, 2008**, carrying a shortened statutory period of response which, having been extended, is currently set to expire March 9, 2009, March 8, 2009 being a Sunday , please consider the following remarks:

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